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NAIROBI FOR USDEL UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL

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SPECIAL GA --

FIRST LOOK AT GROUP OF 77 WORKING GROUP'S PRELIMINARY DRAFT OUTLINE OF "PROGRAM OF ACTION" TENDS TO REINFORCE SKEPTICISM THAT ALGERIA AND OTHERS WILL BE SATISFIED WITH PLATITUDINOUS APPEALS AT SPECIAL GA FOR GREATER INT'L COOPERATION TO SPEED PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT WHILE ADEQUATELY SAFEGUARDING LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF INDUSTRIALIZED WORLD. MAJOR HEADINGS OF ACTION PLAN ARE: BASIC ELEMENTS AND APPROACH; FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS OF RAW MATERIALS AS RELATED TO DEVELOPMENT; INT'L MONETARY SYSTEM AND FINANCING OF DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY; REGULATION OF AND CONTROL OF ACTIVITIES OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS; PROMOTION OF COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; STRENGTHENING UN'S ROLE IN FIELD OF INT'L ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

IN AMB SCALI'S RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH REPS ALGERIA, EGYPT, ARGENTINA, PERU, MALAYSIA, NIGERIA, BRAZIL AND IRAN ALL INDICATED AGREEMENT ON DESIRABILITY UNDER ACTION PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION OF TASKS (STUDIES, CONSULTATIONS) TO ESTABLISHED UN BODIES AND AGENCIES, SUCH AS ECOSOC, UNCTAD, FAO, WFC AND IMF COMITE OF 20. THEY ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED VERY DISTINCTIVE AND SPECIAL ROLE THAT US, DUE TO ITS ECONOMY, WILL PLAY IN ANY DISCUSSION OF RAW MATERIALS AND DEVELOPMENT. AMB ORTIZ DE ROZAS (ARGENTINA) DESCRIBED USG'S POSITION AS COMPLETELY "UNIQUE" AND ONE WHICH CALLS ON US TO BE LEADER OF SPECIAL SESSION. HE THOUGHT SESSION IN DIRE NEED OF SUCH LEADER AND INITIATOR. THOUGH RHETORIC VARIED, PERM REPS SUGGESTED MAXIMUM BENEFIT WHICH COULD RESULT FROM BRIEF GA WOULD BE INJECTION OF FRESH DOSE OF POLITICAL WILL ON PART OF DEVELOPING AND DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND FULL RECOGNITION FOR FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS OF INT'L INTERDEPENDENCE OF ALL ECONOMIES.

LA'S ASSUME THAT DUE TO OAS SESSION IN ATLANTA IN APRIL THEIR FONMINS WILL ATTEND SPECIAL GA. CANADIANS REMARKED IT "MORE OR LESS CERTAIN" EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER SHARP WILL REPRESENT CANADA. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTELS 910, 924, 925)
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OAU KAMPALA SESSION --

OAU EXECUTIVE OFFICE AT UN IS POLLING OAU MEMBERS ON FEASIBILITY OF KAMPALA MEETING APRIL 1-4, USUN LEARNED. MANY AFRICANS TAKING IT FOR GRANTED MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE, BUT KENYANS EXPRESSED PREFERENCE FOR DELAY BECAUSE OF CONFLICT WITH GROUP OF 77 LAW OF SEA MEETING IN NAIROBI MARCH 25-APRIL 5.
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ESCALATION ON SYRIAN FRONT --

SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL, WHILE FULLY AWARE SYRIANS PRECIPITATED ISRAELI RETALIATION, EXPRESSED CONCERN "EXTREMELY HEAVY" ISRAELI BOMBARDMENT OF SYRIAN MILITARY AND CIVILIAN TARGETS MARCH 19 INVOLVED GRAVE RISK OF ESCALATION AND COULD ENDANGER DISENGAGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS. UNTSO BEING ASKED FOR FURTHER INFO ON SYRIAN CLAIM "NEARLY ALL " INHABITANTS OF ONE VILLAGE KILLED. SYG ISSUED STATEMENT EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN AT DETERIORATION IN RECENT DAYS OF SITUATION IN ISRAELI/SYRIAN SECTOR AND APPEALING TO PARTIES TO EXERCISE UTMOST RESTRAINT AND STRICTLY OBSERVE CEASEFIRE. AT PRESS BRIEFING, UN SPOKESMAN PROVIDED INFO ON GOLAN HEIGHTS SITUATION AND INJURIES TO TWO UNTSO OBSERVERS AND SYRIAN OFFICER AT PATROL BASE. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 917)

CHAIRMANSHIP OF NPT PREPCOM --

TULINOV (USSR) SAID SOVIETS ACCEPT MEXICAN PROPOSAL THAT CHAIRMANSHIP OF NPT PREPCOM SESSIONS BE ROTATED AMONG WEST, EAST AND "NON-ALIGNED" (ONE FULL SESSION EACH), SINCE THEIR SOUNDINGS INDICATE MAJORITY OF NON-ALIGNED DESIRE THIS. SOVIETS WOULD BE AMENABLE TO BARTON (CANADA) CHAIRING FIRST SESSION, HE ADDED. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 922)

DEFINITION OF AGGRESSION --

FORMULATION ON PRIORITY/INTENT WAS OBJECTED TO AT OPENING OF MARCH 18 MEETING OF INFORMAL DRAFTING GROUP, AND IT WAS EVENTUALLY AGREED TO SHELVE DISCUSSION OF ARTICLE UNTIL CONTACT GROUP COMPLETED FIRST READING OF OTHER ARTICLES. WHEN CONTACT GROUP II BEGAN WORK ON ART. 3, ALL AGREED ON NEED FOR REFORMULATION OF OPENING PHRASE BUT THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT ON HOW IT SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED. DURING DISCUSSION OF SPECIFIC ACTS, ROMANIA SOUGHT TO REINTRODUCE EXPRESS MEN
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WG HELD FIRST SUBSTANTIVE MEETING MARCH 18 (REPS CHINA, GHANA, VENEZUELA ABSENT), AND ZIEHL (SECRETARIAT) AND US REP STOTTLEMYER MADE LONG STATEMENTS WITH BRIEFER REMARKS BY FRG PRE. ZIEHL, REPORTING ON LATEST CCAQ MEETING, SAID POSSIBILITY OF USING SWISS FRANCS FOR ASSESSMENTS ALL BUT DISAPPEARED IN LIGHT SWISS OPPOSITION, AND PROPOSAL FOR ASSESSMENT IN MIX OF CURRENCIES NOW DISCARDED. IN REPLY TO SOVIET INQUIRY ON EXTENT OF ASSISTANCE BY HOST COUNTRIES TO AGENCIES TO MEET INFLATION PROBLEMS, ZIEHL REPLIED "NONE" THOUGH EXCEPTION MIGHT BE WHERE HOST COUNTRY ABSORBED ADDED CONSTRUCTION COSTS. PALAMARCHUK (USSR), WHO ASKED ZIEHL NUMBER OF QUESTIONS, WAS "PUZZLED" BY GOS ATTITUDE ON USE OF SWISS FRANCS AND ASKED FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

PURPOSE OF STOTTLEMYER'S STATEMENT WAS TO EMPHASIZE COMPLEXITY OF SUBJECT AND TO PLACE UN PROBLEMS IN PROPER PERSPECTIVE. IN PARTICULAR, HE SOUGHT TO UNDERCUT ANY THOUGHT HOST COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES WHICH DEVALUED THEIR CURRENCY SHOULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR UN LOSSES. HE PROPOSED ESTABLISHING CRITERIA AGAINST WHICH ALL PROPOSALS SHOULD BE JUDGED. SCHMIDT (FRG) STRESSED THAT REAL PROBLEM FACING UN WAS ON EXPENDITURE SIDE, AND SAID WG SHOULD LIMIT SELF TO PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS AND NOT GET BOGGED DOWN IN PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

OR ATTEMPT CHANGE "CRITERIA" OF SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS.
(OURTEL 919)

APARTHEID COMITE CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS ON TRANSKEI--

USUN UNDERSTANDS ALL MEMBERS OF APARTHEID COMITE NOT NECESSARILY UNITED BEHIND CHAIRMAN OGBU'S (NIGERIA) VIEWS, EXPRESSED IN COMITE MARCH 14, CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTS IN TRANSKEI, AND SOME ARE SYMPATHETIC TO MATANZIMA'S AND BUTHELEZI'S EFFORTS "TO MAKE BEST OUT OF BAD SITUATION."
(OURTEL 921)

UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA--

IN CLOSED MEETING MARCH 19, NEW UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA, SEAN MACBRIDE, REPORTED ON HIS RECENT CONSULTATIONS IN AFRICA AND EUROPE WITH LEADERS OF NUMBER OF MEMBER STATES, OFFICIALS OF SWAPO AND OAU, AND REPS OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND
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NGO'S. EARLIER, IN OPEN MEETING, COMITE HEARD REPORTS BY ZIMBA (ZAMBIA) ON GENEVA MEETING OF SUBCOMITE ON RACISM AND DECOLONIZATION AND BY MONTROYA (PERU) ON SOFIA MEETING OF WORLD PEACE COUNCIL. ZIMBA SAID IT HAD BEEN DECIDED ALL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WOULD BE INVITED TO NGO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DECOLONIZATION IN GENEVA IN SEPTEMBER AND WOULD BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE FULLY; UN AGREED PROVIDE CONFERENCE ROOMS AT PALAIS, BUT QUESTION ON INTERPRETATION STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION.

COMITE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT--

BY CONSENSUS, COMITE MARCH 18 (P.M.) ADOPTED REVISED DRAFT RES (L. 391/REV.1) WHICH ASKED ADVISORY COMITE ON APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO DEVELOPMENT (ACAST) TO DRAW UP TWO LISTS OF PROBLEM AREAS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. ONE WOULD LIST AREAS OR OBJECTIVES OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, AND OTHER WOULD BE LIST OF MORE GENERAL OR UNIVERSAL NATURE RELATED TO SPECIFIC PROJECTS. BYELORUSSIAN REP SAID HE ABSTAINED IN VOTE BECAUSE HIS GOVT'S POSITION UNCHANGED ON QUESTION OF MEASURING TARGETS IN FIELD OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND ON REPORT REFERRED TO IN DRAFT. SOVIET REP HAD RESERVATIONS ON FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND ON PROPOSED CONTENTS OF TWO LISTS.

IN DISCUSSION OF ACAST MARCH 18 AND 19, CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED BY REPS MEXICO AND FRG ABOUT NEED FOR CLEAR CONCEPT OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COMITE AND ACAST. PAKISTANI AND PHILIPPINE REPS CALLED FOR MORE ATTENTION TO ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGIONS, AND SYRIA AND EGYPT FOR CLOSER COOPERATION WITH ECWA. RESERVATIONS ON SYG'S PROPOSAL TO INCREASE ACAST

MEMBERSHIP FROM 24 TO 48 WERE EXPRESSED BY FRANCE, UK, JAPAN,
BRAZIL, YUGOSLAVIA, ROMANIA AND NETHERLANDS.
SEVERAL SUGGESTED ACAST SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO MAKE USE OF SERVICES
OF EXPERTS ON SPECIFIC SUBJECTS, AND SOME BELIEVED IT
SHOULD MEET ANNUALLY. JAPANESE AND AUSTRALIANS URGED ACAST
TO LOOK AT PROBLEMS OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO SPECIFIC REGIONS,
SUCH AS THOSE AFFECTING SUDANO-SAHELIAN ZONE.

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